

## **PREVENTION AND RESPONSE BRANCH WAR ISSUES FOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2014**

### **This Week - September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>**

#### **LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC) WORKSHOPS, REGION 6**

**STATES:** Staff will conduct the final 3 of 32 Region 6 LEPC workshops the week of September 22<sup>nd</sup> in Beaumont, Houston, and Austin, Texas. Approximately 120 attendees will participate in the workshops that focus on requirements of EPCRA for industry & LEPC's, Local Government Reimbursement program for local emergency response, Tier II Submit & CAMEO suite of software for preparedness/ planning, Emergency Plan requirements/spirit of EPCRA, how to keep an LEPC active/re-activating a dormant LEPC, and discussion of state issues. **(Crossland, x2721)**

### **Last Week - September 15<sup>th</sup> – September 19<sup>th</sup>**

**EXPLO SYSTEMS, INC., MINDEN, LA:** General Dynamics-ATK (GD-ATK) continued processing/re-packaging tritonal contaminated debris (TCD), the total processed weight was 12,337 lbs. On September 8, 2014, M-30 was shipped to General Dynamic's facility in Joplin, MO. The shipment consisted of 38,606 lbs. GD-ATK also shipped a load of tritonal contaminated debris to Clean Harbors-Colfax (8,121 lbs Net) for disposal. Hercules continued processing nitrocellulose (NC) drums from ECM 2466. Hercules made one shipment of NC to Clean Harbors-El Dorado for disposal this week (28,057 lbs.). In addition, DOJ, LA and the Army continue positive CERCLA negotiations for site remediation. The intent is to have an order negotiated and signed by end of September. **(Crossland, x2721)**

#### **LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC) WORKSHOPS, REGION 6**

**STATES:** Three Region 6 LEPC workshops were conducted the week of September 15<sup>th</sup> in McAlester, Ardmore, and Lawton, Oklahoma. Approximately 140 attendees participated in the workshops that focused on requirements of EPCRA for industry & LEPC's, Local Government Reimbursement program for local emergency response, Tier II Submit & CAMEO suite of software for preparedness/ planning, Emergency Plan requirements/spirit of EPCRA, how to keep an LEPC active/re-activating a dormant LEPC, and discussion of state issues. **(Crossland, x2721)**

**VERMICULITE PRODUCTS-CITYSIDE HOMES, HOUSTON, TX:** EPA held a community outreach meeting for the Site on September 18, 2014. The meeting was held at a local church near the neighborhood of the Vermiculite Products Site. **(Crossland, x2721)**

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

#### **LONE WOLF PRODUCTION LLC., ORPHAN WELL, CLAIBORNE PARISH,**

**LA:** Notice of Federal Interest letters were sent, however, there has been no "Responsible Party" identified to conduct the plugging of this well. Therefore, EPA will move ahead with "Plugging and Abandonment" operations. The Site Access Agreement has been signed by the

landowner and EPA will begin the process of issuing a Task Order for an ERRS Contractor this week. The work will be scheduled for mid- to late-October. **(Crossland, x2721)**

**HURRICANE RESPONSE PREPAREDNESS FIELD EXERCISE, LAKE WHITNEY STATE PARK, TX:** A hurricane response preparedness field exercise will be conducted on October 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> at Lake Whitney State Park near Hillsboro, Texas. Objectives of the field exercise are; (1) mobilize resources to the field to simulate the response resources necessary for initial activities, (2) conduct all field activities in a manner to ensure the health and safety following the HASP, (3) utilize EPA personnel including logistics & REOC IT contractors, (4) mobilize resources to a selected location to be used as a field base camp, (5) set-up base camp, branch camps, and office trailer including the necessary equipment for communications (radios, satellite, internet, etc), (6) assign field teams to assess “targets,” complete Field Data Sheets for Response Manager, collect air monitoring data (Area RAE’s, new Multi-RAE’s, etc.) and upload into Response Manager, and (7) gather pertinent SOP’s regarding field to REOC data flow and identify gaps/needs for updating those SOP’s for the Viper System and Flex-viewer. **(Crossland, x2721)**